# OPA Database Guide For Public Users – Recertification



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#### **Covered Entities Guide for Public Users**

## **Recertifying a Covered Entity**

The Office of Pharmacy Affairs (OPA) is required to recertify all participating 340B covered entities annually to ensure 340B database accuracy and promote compliance with 340B program requirements.

#### **Authorizing Official Advance Notification**

The Authorizing Official (AO) and Primary Contact (PC) receive the advanced notification email from HRSA OPA that recertification of their covered entity and the recertification period to include a start and end date. The advanced notification email notifies the AO and PC of the forth coming requirement. User Name and Password will be distributed solely to the listed AO on the official recertification start date. The user name is also the batch name.

The user name and password email contain the following:

- A link to the 340B database
- Login instructions
- Instructions for completing the online recertification process (recertification user guide)
- Date the recertification is to be completed.

**Note:** An AO who has more than one parent covered entity will receive more than one recertification notification, each with a different user name and password. A parent hospital with associated outpatient facilities will only receive one user name and password for all covered entities/child sites.

The parent entity must be recertified first. For hospitals, the *Qualification Information* tab (QI) will auto populate all child sites after the parent has recertified.

When OPA has completed verification, the user name and password used to log in for an entity will no longer be active.

For batches with multiple covered entities, repeat the following steps for each entity, as the AO will receive a separate email containing the user name and password for each one. You must log out after each session before logging in to recertifying another entity.

### **Logging into Recertification**

When you receive the follow-up recertification email from OPA, follow these login instructions:

- 1) Click the URL link in the email.
- 2) When the **Welcome to OPA** login page displays, copy the user name and password from email and paste them into the user name and password fields on the login page, ensuring that there are no spaces before or after the user name or password.

The username, password and link to your covered entity records shown below will provide you with access to your entities' data as it currently exists in the 3408 Program database. Please log into the database to review, revise (if necessary) and certify entities and their associated contract pharmacies that are still participating in the 3408 Program. Decertify any entities that are no longer participating in the 3408 Program. Breta alloy our entities have been reviewed, you will electronically sign and submit your certified entities and/or decertified entities.

Please note that any changes made to your entity details must be reviewed and approved by HRSA. You will receive the '3408 Recertification Complete' e-mail at that time and may verify the changes through the 3408 database's public search function.

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Username: T801199

Password: tloXAz@5

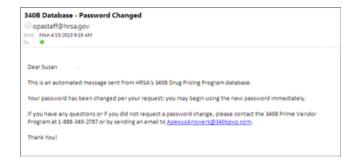
Note: Requesting that your login information be re-sent will result in assignment of a new, temporary password.



- 3) Paste the authentication information into the *User Name* and *Password* fields.
- 4) Click the Sign In button. When the U.S. government warning pop-up window displays, click **OK**.
- 5) The **340B Database Password Change** page requires changing your temporary password.
- 6) Enter a new password twice that meets the password requirements listed on the page.
- 7) Click the Change Password button.



After the password is successfully changed, an email acknowledgement is sent to the AO that the password has been updated. The log on credentials will be valid until the entity is recertified by OPA.



#### **Recertification Batch Dashboard**

The **Batch Dashboard** page displays the covered entity that will be recertified. The number of the batch you are logged into is displayed at the right side of the header bar.



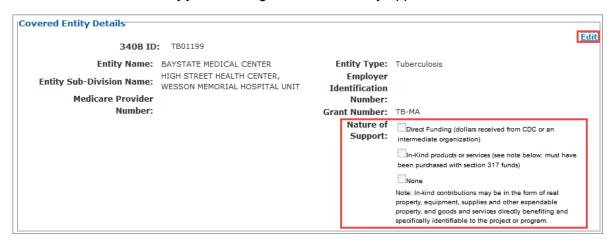
**Note:** Entities will be batched according to their parent/child relationships. Entities that do not have a parent/child relationship will be batched separately (one entity per batch).

8) Click the entity's **340B ID** link.

#### **Covered Entity Details**

 The Covered Entity Details section displays read-only data from the entity's 340B database record.

Note: The Nature of Support funding check boxes only appear for TB and STD entities.



To modify data in this section, click the **Edit** link. The **Sub-Division Name, EIN** (hospitals only), and **Grant Number** (and **Nature of Support** checkboxes for TB and STD entities) become editable. When finished, click **Continue** to save your changes or **Undo** to cancel them.

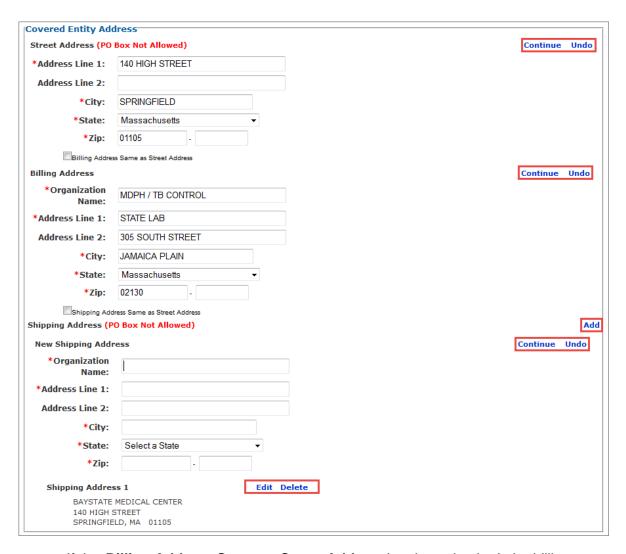


## **Covered Entity Address**

10) The **Covered Entity Address** section displays read-only data from the entity's 340B database record. If you click **Edit** in the **Covered Entity Address** section, all address fields become editable.



To modify data in this section, click the Edit link. All address fields become editable.



- If the Billing Address Same as Street Address box is unchecked, the billing address fields allow you to edit the existing billing address or add a new one.
- If the Shipping Address Same as Street Address box is unchecked, an Add link
  appears to allow you to add one or more shipping addresses or edit or delete an
  existing shipping address. All address changes will be reviewed by OPA for
  consistency with shipping address requirements. No PO boxes can be listed
  except for billing addresses.

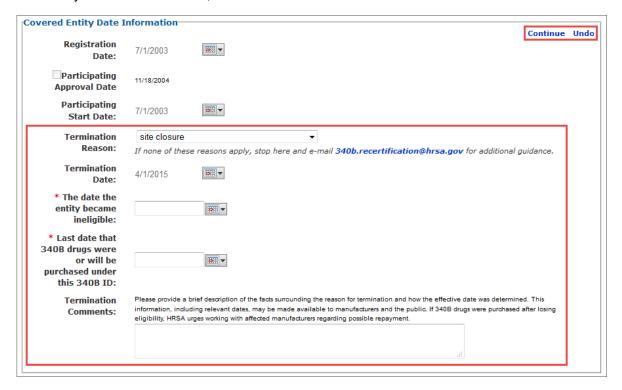
When changes to an address are complete, click **Continue** to save them or **Undo** to cancel them.

### **Covered Entity Date Information**

11) The **Covered Entity Date Information** section allows you to terminate an entity or edit the termination reason, dates, and comments.



To modify data in this section, click the Edit link. The termination fields become editable.



- Termination Reason: Select the reason from the drop-down list.
- Termination Date Automatically populated as first day of the following quarter when a Termination Reason is selected (not editable).

Select a Termination Reason
DSH percentage below statutory minimum
for-profit conversion
loss of qualifying grant/support
site closure

• **Date Entity Became Ineligible:** Enter the date when the entity became ineligible for participation in the 340B Program.

- Last Date Drugs Were/Will Be Purchased: Enter the last date when drugs were or will be purchased under the entity's 340B ID.
- **Termination Comments:** Enter any additional comments about the termination.

When changes are completed, click **Continue** to save them or **Undo** to cancel them.

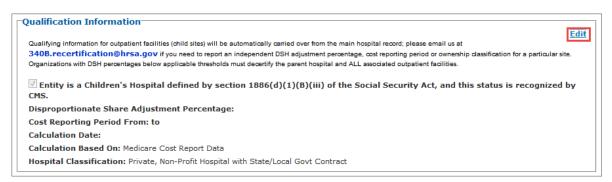
## **Qualification Information (Hospitals Only)**

The **Qualification Information (QI)** section only applies to hospitals. It contains required fields that must be completed before continuing with recertification. The fields that display in this section vary depending on the entity's hospital type:

- Children's (PED)
- Critical Access (CAH),
- Disproportionate Share (DSH),
- Free Standing Cancer (CAN)
- Rural Referral Center (RRC)
- Sole Community (SCH)

Data recorded in the QI section for the parent hospital is updated to all its child outpatient facilities when the parent is certified.

Fields in the *Qualification Information* section display as blank. They require the Authorizing Official to enter information. If the information entered does not pass validation, the system requires the authorizing official to "decertify" the CE. Decertifying the parent automatically decertifies all associated children.

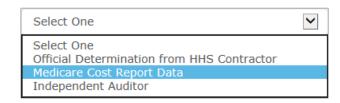


12) Click the **Edit** link to make changes to the **Qualification Information** fields.



**Note:** Continue and Undo links appear in the upper right corner of this section. Click Continue to advance to the next section or Undo to clear your edits.

- 13) Check the box if the hospital qualifies as the specified registered entity type as defined by section CFR of the Social Security Act, and this status is recognized by CMS.
- 14) **Disproportionate Share Adjustment Percentage:** (PED, DSH, CAN, RRC, SCH only) Enter the applicable percentage between 0 and 100 for the disproportionate share adjustment. This percentage must equal or exceed a minimum percent based on the hospital entity type. A lesser percent will prompt an error message that will prevent recertification from continuing. For most hospitals this can be found on Worksheet E, part A, line 33. PED and CAN hospitals use a calculation on the S-3 or via an independent auditor.
- 15) Cost Reporting Period: (PED, CAH, DSH, CAN, RRC, and SCH only) Enter a date range manually in mm/dd/yyyy format or by clicking the calendar icon and selecting the From:\_\_\_ and To:\_\_\_ dates. The "To:" date field must be a valid date no more than 17 months in the past (may not be a future date).
- Calculation Date: This date applies only to PED and CAN hospitals.
- 17) **Calculation Based On:** Only applies to PED and CAN hospitals. Click the drop-down list to select



18) Hospital Classification: a hospital classification.

Select One
Owned or Operated by State or Local Government
Private, Non-Profit Hospital with State/Local Govt Contract
Public or Private Non-Profit Hospital Granted Governmental Powers

If you select a different classification than what is recorded for the entity, the system displays the message: "You have chosen to change your listed hospital classification.

Please contact <u>340B.recertification@hrsa.gov</u> to determine the documentation necessary to update your covered entity profile within 5 business days."

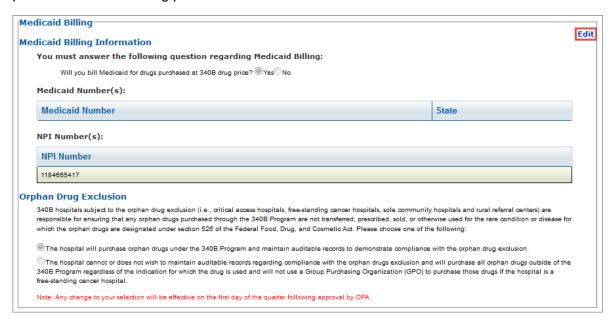
**Note:** An email window opens for the authorizing official to notify OPA within five business days of the change in classification. Changing a covered entity's ownership status is considered a material change reviewable by HRSA OPA to determine if there was a loss of eligibility based upon this change.

If parent entity's eligibility for the 340B program has changed, the authorizing official must be decertified. This will cause associated hospital children to be automatically decertified. Children of non-hospitals can remain active.

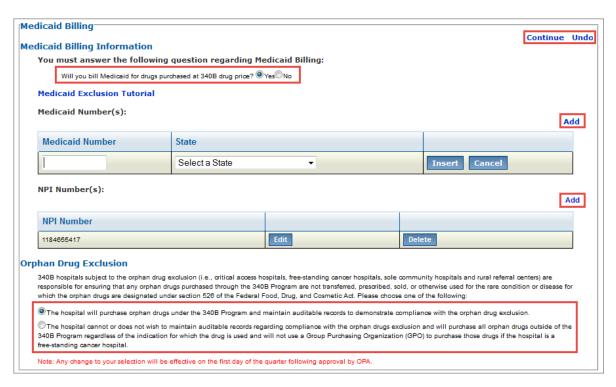
All change requests are blocked from submission until a covered entity recertification is complete and reviewed by OPA. A covered entity will not be able to submit an electronic change request during this period, but a manual change request for updating and Authorizing Official may be submitted to retrieve a user name and password. Click *Forms* in the *Useful Links* on the homepage to retrieve the manual change request form and submit to HRSA OPA staff inbox, as stated on the form. If the authorizing official contact information changes, recertification confirmations will be emailed to the new authorizing official's email addresses.

#### **Medicaid Billing/Orphan Drug Exclusion**

19) The **Medicaid Billing** section identifies whether or not the entity will bill Medicaid for drugs purchased at 340B drug prices.



To modify data in this section page, click the **Edit** link.



If the answer to the "Will you bill Medicaid for drugs purchased at 340B drug price?" question is Yes, at least one Medicaid Number and/or NPI Number must be furnished. Clicking an Add link allows you to add one or more Medicaid Number and/or NPI Number or edit or delete an existing Medicaid Number and/or NPI Number.

A covered entity may opt out by selecting **No**, removing all Medicaid/NPI numbers.

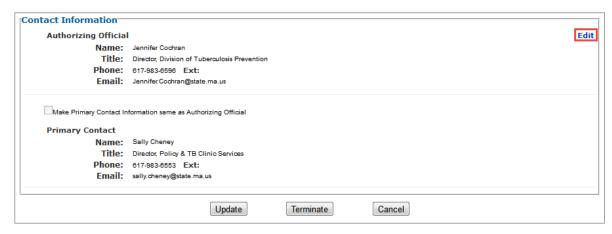
The *Orphan Drug Exclusion* section applies only to critical access hospitals (CAH), free-standing cancer hospitals (CAN), sole community hospitals (SCH), and rural referral centers (RRC) to specify whether the hospital will purchase orphan drugs under the 340B program and maintain auditable records to show compliance, or whether the hospital will purchase orphan drugs outside the 340B program and will not be required to maintain auditable records regarding orphan drugs purchased. CAN hospitals cannot use a GPO to purchase orphan drugs for a non-orphan indication. The other three hospital types may use a GPO if desired.

**Note:** Any changes made in this section will not be effective until the first day of the following quarter.

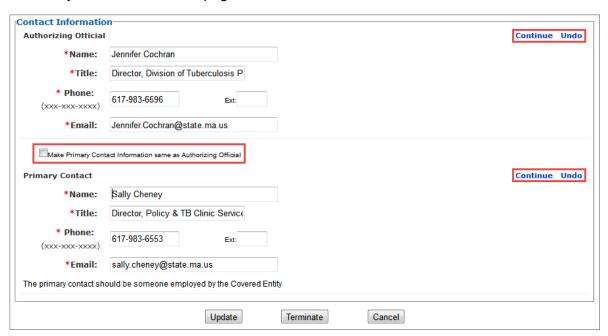
When changes are completed, click Continue to save them or Undo to cancel them.

#### **Contact Information**

20) The Contact Information section will appear next if you are a grantee/non-hospital covered entity. You have the ability to edit this section. If a hospital, also review the QI fields described later in the user guide.

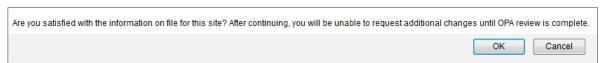


To modify data in this section page, click the Edit link.



For either the AO or the Primary Contact information, when changes are completed, click **Continue** to save them or **Undo** to cancel them.

21) Click the Update button to complete certification of the entity. You will be asked if you are satisfied with the information for the entity. Click **OK** if you are satisfied with your edits. You will be unable to request additional changes until OPA review is complete.

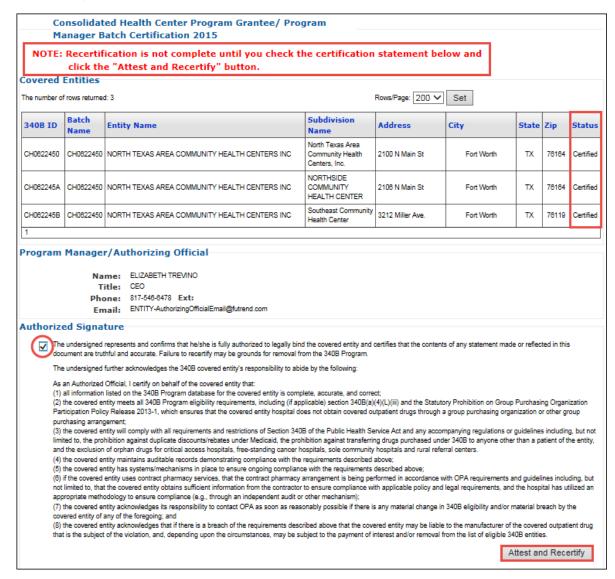


22) You are returned to the **Batch Dashboard**. The entity you just certified is moved to the bottom of the list in the **Covered Entities** table with a status of "Certified"



### **Attest and Recertify**

The **Authorized Signature** section is the final step after the parent and all child sites have been reviewed and updated.



- 23) Check the box to attest that you have read and understand that you are authorzed to sign for the entity and attest to the entities compliance within the 340B requirements providing that the information listed is complete and accurate.
- 24) Click the Attest and Recertify button. The recertification process now complete and the covered entities record will be sent to HRSA OPA for review. HRSA OPA has the right to accept, reject, or accept partial updates to a covered entity's record as requested by the AO. Once this step is complete, the AO will receive email confirmation that recertification is complete.

Thank you for recertifying your 340B Covered Entity records. If you are the authorizing official for more than one organization, you will need to repeat the verification process for each additional organization. Otherwise, no further action is required on your part at this time.

The information you provide during recertification will be reviewed by OPA for completeness and compliance with program requirements. Any changes you submit, if approved, will not be reflected in the 340B database until you receive an e-mail informing you that recertification is complete. At that time, you may review your information at this link:

http://opanet.hrsa.gov/OPA/CESearch.aspx

Need help or have additional questions? Please contact the 340B Recertification Tesm:

Apexus Phone: 1-888-340-2787

Email: ApexusAnswers@340bpvp.com

- 20) Click the Done button. You will be returned to the OPA home page for AOs.
- 25) Repeat the certification steps above until all covered entities in the batch have been recertified. When the last covered entity in the batch is certified, the system will display the **Attest and Certify** page.
- Note: For multiple non-hospitals that are batched separately, you must log out after each session and log back in again to recertify another entity. Repeat the steps above for each entity.

## **Decertifying a Covered Entity**

An Authorizing Official can request to "decertify" a covered entity, which is requesting that the entity will no longer participate in the 340B Program. If the Authorizing Official decertifies the parent hospital, associated children are automatically decertified. However, the Authorizing Official can choose to certify the parent hospital while selectively decertifying certain children.

Follow these steps to decertify an entity:

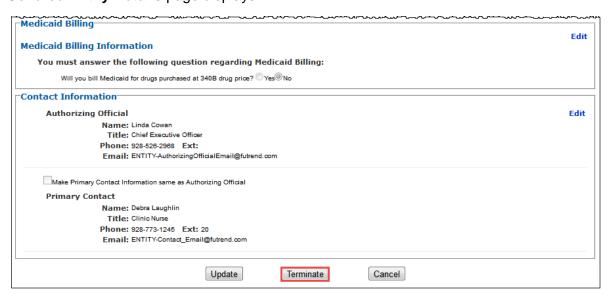
1) Log in using the user ID and password from the follow-up recertification email from OPA.

The Batch Dashboard page for the initiative displays.



2) Click the link in the 340B ID column

The **Covered Entity Details** page displays.



3) Scroll to the bottom of the page and click the Terminate button.

The **Covered Entity Details** page displays validation errors for any required fields are missing information.

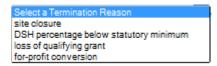


- 4) Fix any validation errors and click the **Continue** link to apply your changes.
- 5) Click the Terminate button again.

The **Covered Entity Details** page prompts for any missing termination information infromation.

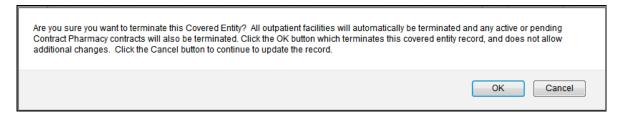


6) **Termination Reason:** Select the reason the entity is being decertified. If none of these reasons apply, send an email to: 340B.recertification@hrsa.gov.



- 7) **Termination Date:** Enter the effective termination date manually in mm/dd/yyyy format or using the calendar icon.
- 8) **Date the entity became ineligible:** Enter in mm/dd/yyyy format or select with the calendar icon the effective date the entity is ineligible for the 340B program.
- 9) Last date that 340B drugs were purchased: Enter the last date drugs were purchased at 340B prices.
- 10) **Termination Comments:** Briefly describe the reason for termination and how the effective date was determined. Information entered in this section may be made available to manufacturers and the public. If 340B drugs were purchased after the entity became ineligible, affected manufacturers may be entitled to repayment.
- 11) When finished, click the Terminate button again.

A screen message displays a warning that if you decertify the entity, all outpatient facilities will also be decertified. If terminating any covered entity parent or child, the request will notify that there will be a termination of all contract pharmacies also.



12) Click the **OK** button. The **Authorize and Submit** screen displays. You will be prompted to attest and recertify.

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#### **Other Covered Entities User Guides**

Searching for a Covered Entity

Viewing A Covered Entity Record

**Exporting Search Results Data** 

Registering a Covered Entity/Outpatient Facility

Submitting a Change Request